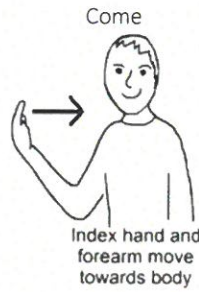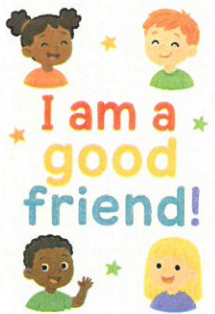# This week in Maple

We are here to help. If you have any questions or concerns, please talk to your child's keyworker or any of the staff.

| Books of the week: | Rhyme(s) of the week: | Sign of the week: | Happy Thought: |
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| Mog the Forgetful Cat , I Want a Pet | Five Current Buns | Come — Index hand and forearm move towards body | I am a good friend! |

## In Maths we will be:

We will be:

- Exploring early maths through fun, hands-on activities.
- Learning about weight and capacity using everyday language like heavy, light, and heavier than.
- Comparing objects by holding them and using balance scales.
- Making predictions and talking about what we notice.
- Building confidence in using maths words in real-life situations.

## In Phonics we will be:

We will be:

- Developing listening skills and early sound awareness.
- Playing games like Robot Talk, What's in the Box?, and Hidden Object Sounds.
- Practising oral blending (e.g. c-a-t = cat) and segmenting words.
- Listening to and describing different environmental sounds.
- Building strong foundations for early reading and speaking skills.

## Learning opportunities:

We will be:

- Celebrating Eid al-Adha by sharing our family traditions and listening to each other.
- Observing caterpillars and creating observational drawings.
- Making marks with fingers and tools in sand and sensory trays to build early writing skills.
- Using remote control cats to explore movement, direction, and take turns.
- Creating with dough and art using natural materials and singing familiar rhymes.

## Help At Home:

## Explore butterflies and insects together!

Go on a short walk or look in your garden to see if you can spot any butterflies, caterpillars, or other insects. Talk about what they look like, where they live, and how they move. Encourage your child to draw what they see or take a photo to share at nursery.

## Dates for your diary:

- **Wednesday 2nd July** – Hirst Wood Heritage Garden Party 1.30 to 3.00
- **Tuesday 15th and Thursday 17th July** - Leavers picnics
- **Wednesday 16th July** - Ian's Mobile Farm visit
- **Friday 18th July** - Graduation Garden Party 3.30 to 4.30
- **Tuesday 22nd July** – Last day/ Nursery closes for summer break